



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held February 27, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“In a letter dated February 22, 2007 to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Sheriff revealed the creation of approximately 285 unfunded post positions in the Sheriff’s Custody Operations and Correctional Services Division which was, in large part, to meet increased safety challenges and external demands from the Board of Supervisors, the Department of Justice, the American Civil Liberties Union and Special Counsel Merrick Bobb. While these unfunded positions have resulted in significant expenditures out of the Sheriff’s overtime budget, they were necessary public safety expenditures.

“From a fiscal perspective, the Sheriff will have to eliminate a majority of these unfunded positions almost immediately in order to meet budget. However, such an action will adversely impact current operations and lead to unintended consequences.”

Therefore, Supervisor Antonovich made a motion to direct the Chief Administrative Officer to respond within one week to the Sheriff’s letter dated February 22, 2007 regarding approximately 285 unfunded post positions in the Sheriff’s Custody Operations and Correctional Services Division, including the impact of eliminating a significant number of the 285 unfunded post positions in jail operations, as well as a recommendation relative to the Sheriff’s request for funding.

Sheriff Leroy D. Baca and Walter Johnson addressed the Board.

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After discussion, Supervisor Molina made the following statement:

“The Sheriff’s Department has created 285 post positions without Board authorization. As a result, the Sheriff’s Department must curtail their expenditures to remain within the Board approved budget for this fiscal year. The Board of Supervisors is mandated to provide oversight of the Sheriff’s budget. In order to do this adequately, it is necessary for the Board to receive regular reporting on the Sheriff’s budget.”

Therefore, Supervisor Molina made a substitute motion that the Sheriff be requested to provide the Board quarterly expenditure reports on all Sheriff budget units, and the Chief Administrative Officer confirm the expenditures, with the report to include the number of sworn and civilian positions that are filled, along with an accounting of overtime expenditures. The report is due 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, beginning with the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

Supervisor Molina’s substitute motion, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, was duly carried by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisors Molina, Knabe and Yaroslavsky; Noes: Supervisor Antonovich (Supervisor Burke being absent).

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